

Conduct

1. A pupil shall enter the bus, sit down, and remain seated until the bus stops at his destination.
2. A pupil shall enter and leave the bus by the front door, except in an emergency.
3. There shall be no smoking on the bus.
4. Any pupil whose conduct endangers the physical or moral safety of the other may lose his privilege of riding on the bus.
5. The bus driver will report the names of students who violate bus regulations to the Principal concerned. The bus driver, however, will disembark the student at his regular stop. A student reported for a violation is subject to suspension from the bus and/or school at the discretion of the school principal.
 - (a) Depending on the situation, the Principal and/or Assistant Principal may:
 - (1) Discuss the incident with the student and warn him/her of the consequences of any future offenses.
 - (2) Phone and/or write the parents of the student, informing them of the incident and possible future loss of bus privileges.
 - (3) Remove the student from the bus for a period up to five (5) days and inform the student's parents by letter (copy to Superintendent of Schools). Suspension, however, shall not begin until the next school day following the day of notification of suspension is sent to the pupil's parent or legal guardian.
 - (4) The parent or guardian of a pupil who has been denied the right to ride a school bus for disciplinary reasons may appeal within ten (10) days of suspension to the authority that suspended the pupil's right.
 - (5) Until the appeal is heard or if the suspension of the student's right to ride the school bus is upheld, it shall be the parent or guardian's responsibility to provide transportation to and from school for that pupil for the period of suspension.
 - (b) If a student becomes involved in another bus offense after having been once removed from the bus, the Principal and/or Assistant Principal may remove the student for a period up to twenty (20) school days. Any suspension which lasts beyond twenty (20) days must be approved by the School Board.
 - (c) Any subsequent offenses by a student will result in his prompt removal from the bus and referral of the matter to the Superintendent of Schools and/or School Board with the exception that bus riding privileges may be lost for the remainder of the school year.
6. Only those children eligible to ride school buses are to do so, and they are to ride only on their assigned buses.

7. There shall be no exceptions for school children ineligible for transportation unless a doctor's statement shows medical need for transportation.

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Appendix Reference:

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